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Dear Brad,

On August 15 the health studies will start in Madison County. Rather than going to the homes of the participants we will ask them to come to a central location for interviews and for obtaining blood and urine specimens. At that time we would like to make appointments for the environmental sampling. In order to do this I would like to know what the extent of your commitment is in relation to the environmental sampling and when you think it is possible to start the environmental sampling. If a contractor will be doing the sample collection and analyses, should we deal directly with the contractor? If you wish for me to deal directly with the contractor I would appreciate it if you could give me the name of a contact person and a telephone number.

It is also not clear to me whether the analyses of environmental samples provided by EPA, Region V, will include house dust samples, water samples, soil samples and in-situ paint analyses. We anticipate taking about 700 to a thousand blood specimens for lead analyses in the health studies. However, the number of houses involved would be smaller. We will try and draw children and adults from the same houses if possible. Please let me know by the end of this week what the EPA's involvement in this endeavor will be. The collection of environmental samples should proceed soon after the biological samples have been collected.

The reason for starting the health study now is of course that during the summer the children have been playing outside and now

is the best time to assess their exposure. If for some reason you foresee any difficulties with the environmental sampling I would appreciate it if you could inform me immediately my telephone number is 202-289-8721.

I am sorry this comes at a time not very convenient for you and hope that everything is going well with your family.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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